

CIRCLES
West North street and Miss Maud...
The guests numbered...
The musical number...
B. Burrows and...
Miss Beatrice How...
Howard presented...
instrumental solos...
rs. A. B. Alexander...
The affair was...
A. Nelson, of Cleve...
Hays entertained a...
ing at their home on...
t in honor of Mrs...
Chicago. The ladies...
and six hand echre...
the game a handsome...
even last evening by...
bers of the Sunday...
rebyterian church to...
College and Westmin...
entertainment was in...
church. There were...
a greeting was...
Peabodges. Re...
Sunday school com...
Miss Lulu Laugh...
light, P. P. Laughlin...
A discussion was led...
by and George Miller...
given last evening...
verson and his wife...
the Edward Street...
The ladies met at the...
Howard. Mrs. W...
Mrs. Stevenson away...
she returned home...
ed. Judge Nelson in...
presented Mr. and...
a hall tree, two pic...
and a center table...
were rendered during...
Lelah Ayers, Miss...
Miss Birdie Ditzler...
Jennie Rogers will...
at her home on West...
she will also give a...
afternoon...
will be given this...
at the corner of...
Broadway. It will...
the anniversary of the...
the Epworth league...
will deliver a lecture...
given tomorrow night...
a church by Francis...
A. B. Alexander and...
to be quite an impor...
and social circles...
will give a card party...
on at her home on...
...
morning Mrs. Otto E...
breakfast at her home...
street. Francis Fischer...
ing the guests...
B. Walsh celebrated...
ding anniversary last...
home in Monticello...
known in this part of...
...
the Musical Culture...
last meeting next Fri...
home of Mrs. A. B...
be an American even...
numbers will be by...
Mrs. About 150 persons...
...
will give a card party...
on at her home at the...
Water and North...
...
Bora...
John R. McRoberts...
71 West Morris street...
today, May 23, a daugh...
...
W. C. Beckwith, 731...
Saturday, May 22, a son...
John C. Calhoun, 414...
street, Monday, May 24, a...
...
T. S. Childs, at Ma...
24, a son...
...
ymment Bureau...
bureau of All Angels...
mentioned in this paper...
be opened this week...
be at the guild hall at...
today and Friday to...
for places and for help...
be made at any other...
Rev. Bedford Jones...
Mrs. or street or by tele...
residence. There have...
number of applications...
...
favor Social...
te Endeavor society of...
church will give a social...
Tuesday evening, May...
ical program will be...
time is promised all...
cream and wafers will...
...
distribution...
complete stock, fresh...
flower seeds. Leon &...
food stock. 9-dw...
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Newspaper Association

LECTURE AT GUARDS' ARMORY.
Edward Page Gaston Tells What He Knows About Cuba.
Edward Page Gaston, the Spanish-American traveler, explorer and journalist, entertained a large audience last night at Guards' Armory, when he gave his very interesting lecture on "Cuba, the Pearl of the Antilles," under the management and for the benefit of the Decatur Guards. Previous to the address Miss Gertrude Phillips played Spanish selections on the piano.
Dr. Bumstead introduced Mr. Gaston, who without circumlocution plunged into his subject and at once riveted the attention of his hearers. He said in brief that the Cuban island is 860 miles long with the average width 108 miles; population 1,500,000, principally black people. Resources varied and sufficient for 15,000,000 people. The remains of Columbus rest at Havana. Cuba will ultimately gain her freedom. Mr. Gaston declared that there were splendid opportunities for the profitable investment of capital on the island and that Cuba offers special inducements for young people of energy and industry. The imposition by Spain of heavy tax on Cuban sugar and other unjust duties, the lecturer said, brought about the war. There are only 60,000 insurgents, while Spain has an army of 350,000 in the field under Gen. Weyler who receives \$50,000 a year. One Cuban soldier is equal to 10 Spaniards in a fight. Many Spanish soldiers desert and go over to the Cuban ranks. The war costs Spain \$300,000 and 100 lives a day. It was predicted that Cuba will gain her independence by next October.
The address was greatly appreciated as many points were brought out which do not appear in books or newspapers.
STOLE A WATCH.
Arrest of Henry Curran Caused by Frank Gallagher.
Frank Gallagher is in the employ of the Illinois Central railroad company as section foreman at Forsyth. Yesterday he came to Decatur and visited the saloons on Franklin street. He was around with Frank Curran. Late in the evening Gallagher missed his watch. He swore out a state warrant for the arrest of Curran, charging him with the theft. This afternoon Curran is to have his preliminary hearing.
Other Cases.
John Francis, the alleged chicken thief, was before Justice Hardy today, to answer the charges of burglary and larceny. He waived examination and in default of \$500 bail was returned to the county jail.
On complaint of W. B. Ballard Bill Etheridge was held today to answer a charge of petty larceny.
Death of Mrs. P. C. Tryner.
We have received a copy of the Galesburg Republican-Register which contains a half column notice of the death of Mrs. P. C. Tryner, aged 41, niece of Major C. F. Emery of Maroa. The lady died on May 20th at Galesburg. She had been an invalid for ten years. For a time the lady made her home with Mrs. Emery at Maroa, where in 1879 she married Mr. Tryner. She was a graduate of the Illinois Female Seminary. The family resided in Decatur in 1891. The deceased is survived by her husband and two children. The funeral took place on Saturday. Major and Mrs. Emery of Maroa were at the service.
Will See the Fine Train.
T. Peniwell, the Illinois Central ticket agent, went to Chicago this morning. He received an invitation to inspect the new train which the Burlington road has put on the road. The train is known as the St. Paul and Minneapolis Limited Express and will be one of the finest trains in the world. Railroad men from all parts of the country have been invited to inspect the train. The party will be taken out during the afternoon on a run through Illinois.
Death of Mrs. Lee.
Mrs. Jennie Lee, colored, the wife of Van Lee, died a 4:30 o'clock this morning at her home No. 1015 South Broadway, aged 19 years. She leaves a husband and a child four months old. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the A. M. E. church. The services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Cooper and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.
Garden Seeds.
Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co., 150-152nd St.
It grows every day—bigger crowds at The Chicago auction sale.

WASHINGTON NOTES.
Strong Sentiment Gathering in Favor of Awaiting McKinley's Cuban Policy.
MAY PREVENT MUCH BLOODSHED.
The Cleveland Partisan Extension of the Civil Service Still Discussed—Civil Service Perverted and Dragged in the Mire.
Washington, May 26.—When it comes to expressing their sympathy for Cuba, or showing their confidence in President McKinley, the Republicans of the house stand with the president. They know it is not necessary to pass the senate resolution declaring that the belligerency of the Cubans should be recognized in order to continue the country of their sympathy for Cuba. They also know that the adoption of that resolution at this time would unnecessarily embarrass the president who is working out a policy that will be of some practical benefit to the Cubans, which it is far from certain that the recognition of belligerency would be. This being the situation, it is not likely that the house will act upon the belligerency resolution or take any other action relating to Cuba until President McKinley has had time enough to formulate and announce his policy. The real friends of Cuba want more than a recognition of belligerency; they want to see the island independent, and to that end they are steadily working meanwhile, the money appropriated by congress for the relief of destitute Americans in Cuba, is being used for that purpose by the United States consuls. There is no good reason for any undue haste in taking the next step, especially when haste might defeat the very object sought—the ending of bloodshed in Cuba. President McKinley has promised to act in a short time, and Republicans are willing to accept that promise and wait.
Republican senators held a caucus yesterday in order to smooth down little differences as to modes of procedure during the tariff debate, now open. There was a general interchange of opinion, and, while there was no attempt to bind anybody a general understanding was reached that no time should be devoted to lengthy speeches by Republicans. At the caucus of Democratic senators, it was decided to open their fight on the tariff by moving to strike out the entire internal revenue section of the bill, in order to carry favor with the brewing interests. Republicans do not believe the motion will carry.
The Illyrians are constantly talking about the increase of free silver sentiment in the country and saying that the result of last November would be reversed if there were a national election held now. Of course everybody knows that sort of talk to be mere bluff and bluster. If proof was needed, it is furnished by the fact that the Democratic leader of the house—Bailey, of Texas—and other prominent Democrats have gone into the first congressional district of Missouri to speak and work for the election of a Democratic senator to the late Representative R. P. Giles. The silver sentiment is growing so fast in the silver state of Missouri, that stump speakers of national prominence are needed to make sure that the Republicans do not carry a district that last November elected a silver Democrat. Facts like this are more convincing than loud talk just as a man is always judged to a larger extent by his actions than by his words.
REPORTS AT MADRID.
Sagasta Opposes the Sale of Cuba—Concepcion Will Not Resist.
Madrid, May 26.—It is understood that Sagasta, the liberal leader, will soon publish a statement in which he will announce his unalterable opposition to the sale of Cuba.
Premier Senor Conovas denies the existence of the cabinet crisis. He says he is resolved to remain in office.
Killed His Mother's Assassin.
Jacksonville, May 26.—William Carroll, a mechanic of this city, went home in a drunken frenzy and attempted to kill his wife yesterday. Her son remonstrated with Carroll, when the latter rushed at him, threatening his life. The boy grabbed a gun and shot at his father. The lead took effect in the man's leg, severing an artery, from which he died.
Will Give a Wreath.
A laurel wreath has been offered for the best piece of poetry composed by any members of the Alumni association. All members are eligible and the winner will receive the composition at the Alumni banquet.

THE TARIFF BILL.
The Bill Formerly Read in the Senate—Indications that It Will Not Be Delayed.
ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
Tax Levy Bill Reported—Provides for Four Million Dollars Annually Making a Tax of 53 Cents on Hundred Dollars.
Washington, May 26.—The senate chamber was the center of interest as it was expected the tariff debate would advance from the stage of set speeches to actual consideration. This program was outlined by those in charge. The galleries were crowded. The preliminary status of the bill, according to the calendar, "Unfinished business" which gave the bill the right of way at 3 o'clock, though it is understood it may be taken up before, if the morning business is disposed of. The conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was presented. It provides for opening the Uncompahgre reservation in Utah, reserving the asphalt and Glendon lands. Allison of Iowa secured the passage of a joint resolution appropriating \$325,000 for deficiencies at government printing office.
At 2 p. m. the senate took up the tariff bill and the formal reading began.
ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.
Tax Levy Bill Four Million Passed, Also the Crawford Primary Election Bill.
Springfield, May 26.—In the house the following bills were passed: To prevent shooting in public highways; to authorize trustees of state insane asylums to collect for the support of patients able to pay.
The bill increasing the minimum age of school teachers to 18 for females, 19 for males, failed to pass. Recess.
The tax levy bill was introduced providing for a levy of \$4,000,000 per annum for the next four years, making the rate about 53 cents on the hundred dollars. The vote by which Crawford's primary election bill failed to pass last week was reconsidered and the bill was passed 66 to 7. His bill making the holding of elections under the other bill in cities were adopted by a vote of the people, also passed, 38 to 8. Also the bill to enable cities on the vote of electors to levy taxes in excess of two per cent to strengthen or build levees, also a bill providing that persons desiring to have a will probated must first file a petition in the probate court.
The bill for the appointment of food and scale inspectors in cities was killed. The bill for establishment of a branch of the appellate court in Chicago was passed. The bill for the appointment of a board of surveyors to act in conjunction with the county surveyor passed. Adjourned.
THAT FURNITURE BILL.
Voucher for Mrs. John P. Altgeld for \$1458 an Item of Treasury Deficit.
Springfield, May 26.—The special committee of the house appointed to investigate the causes of the treasury deficit is now at work on the secretary of state's office, and some interesting developments in connection with the administration of that office by Mr. Hendrickson are promised by members of the committee. Incidentally, some of the expenditures of the governor's office have been inquired into. The record of the expense of maintaining the executive mansion contains an item of \$1458 paid to Emma F. Altgeld "on account of furniture for the executive mansion." The voucher bears no date whatever, but the auditor issued his warrant for the amount August 5, 1895. Chairman Anderson said:
"Emma F. Altgeld is the wife of the governor. This is the only voucher filed with the auditor. The \$1458 paid to her, it will be observed, purports to have been to reimburse her for cash expended, but, contrary to custom and the rules of the auditor's office, no receipt is filed for a single item contained in this voucher. The committee has the very best evidence that most of this furniture was second-hand, and not only that, but that it was brought down from Chicago by Governor Altgeld and sold to the state. We expect to get some more evidence on this matter before our report is made up."
PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.
Report of the Board of Foreign Missions—Falling Off in the Item of Legacies.
Eagle Lake, Ind., May 26.—The first order of the day in the Presbyterian General Assembly was the report of the board of Foreign Missions. The board reported that efforts had been made to curtail expenses, in view of the reduced receipts,

but in spite of such efforts an increased deficit was reported. A large part of it was due to a falling off in the item of legacies. The receipts were: From churches \$270,479, women's board \$399,115, Sabbath schools and young people's societies \$54,040, legacies \$89,730, miscellaneous \$95,49. The expenditures were \$938,961, of which \$67,921 was for administration and printing. The total net debt was \$97,546. The election of Charles W. Hand of Brooklyn as treasurer of the board was announced.
The report was presented on reception and licensure of candidates for the gospel ministry with recommendation by committee that no change be made in the constitution in this matter. The committee on foreign missions recommended that two collections for foreign missions be taken each year one to be in April and deprecating the gifts to foreigners solicited in America. The pastors are urged to consult the secretaries before allowing such collections to be made in their churches. Emphasis was also laid upon the propriety of allowing all gifts for missions to go through the board and not through agencies over which the church has no control.
TRYING TO CAPTURE JUDGESHIP.
Democrats Make a Still Hunt and Hope to Catch Republicans Napping.
Springfield, Ill., May 26.—(Special to the Chicago Tribune).—The Democratic state central committee is getting ready to make a sneak at the coming judicial election on the 7th day of June. The officers of that organization have sent out secret circulars into the various counties in judicial districts of a confidential nature. They are invariably addressed to men who have been active Democrats and are deemed to be reliable.
In this circular these men are told to appoint a captain over each fifty Democratic voters with a view of impressing upon the voters the necessity of coming out at 12 o'clock on election day and not before and casting their votes for the Democratic nominees for circuit judge throughout Illinois. Two days before the election, according to the circular, each squad of fifty men is to be divided into four parts and a captain deputized to look after twelve voters. The object of it all is to get out a Democratic vote on the quiet and catch the Republicans napping. The scheme not only includes circuit judges, but judges of the supreme court as well. The Republicans throughout the state will be wise to be on the lookout for the Democrats are getting well organized, and it is understood have received substantial sums to carry this scheme into effect. This plan is instituted by J. W. Orr, chairman of the state central committee, who is using the party machinery for that purpose. Orr wants to redeem his party from the defeat it got last year.
SCRUGGS WON'T BE PROSECUTED.
Hardly Probable that the Case Will Come to Trial.
New York, May 26.—The cases against Messrs. R. M. Scruggs and E. J. Langhorne, who have been held to appear before the United States circuit court on a charge of smuggling, may not come to trial. The case was set for the third Wednesday in June, but David Croery, the prominent dry goods merchant of this city, yesterday accompanied Mr. Scruggs to the office of Collector Killebrew. Mr. Croery made an earnest appeal in behalf of Mr. Scruggs, and the latter, at the request of the collector, reviewed the whole incident. He explained how, as it was his first direct experience with the customs laws, he had relied implicitly on the statements of those whom he had every reason to believe were thoroughly informed, and that the occurrence was due entirely to his acceptance of these statements. Mr. Scruggs' attitude when he was approached by the customs officers aboard the St. Paul was indicative of innocence of any desire to deceive the inspectors, and his standing so high, that it is hardly likely that the matter will be pushed.
MONEY FOR INDIA STOLEN.
Official Observation of the Queen's Birthday.
London, May 26.—Lord Radstock, secretary of the society of Christ in India, received a letter from Rev. J. O. Denning, the American missionary at Narsinghpur stating that through the dishonesty of local Hindoo members not a penny of the famine fund ever reached the sufferers.
The official celebration of the Queen's birthday was observed today as usual by closing the government offices and courts, ringing of bells and display of flags. Despite the rain crowds were attracted to the horse guards parade ground to witness the troops present attracted much attention.
James B. Eustice, ex-ambassador to France, announces his intention of becoming head of the law firm of Jones & Gore, of New York.

JOHNSON INDICTED.
Federal Grand Jury Find Nine Indictments Against the Indiana Banker.
SIX MORE WILL BE FOUND.
Iowa Sound Money Democrats in Conference—A Thousand New York Striking Tailors Resume Work Having Gained Concessions.
Indianapolis, Ind., May 26.—The federal grand jury found nine indictments against John F. Johnson, former president of the State National Bank of Logansport, Ind. He is charged with violating practically every section of the National banking laws including forgery. Fifteen counts in all have been prepared and six additional indictments will be found.
Railroad Telegraphers, Peoria, Ill., May 26.—The order of Railroad Telegraphers adjourned at 4 o'clock this morning after an all night's session. W. V. Powell was re-elected Grand Chief. The ladies' auxiliary was organized and Mrs. M. P. Allison, of Toronto, was elected president. The convention declared in favor of the federation of railroad brotherhoods but the proposition to join the National Federation of Labor was voted down.
Iowa Sound Money Democrats, Des Moines, Ia., May 26.—The sound money Democrats are holding a state conference here today. Many former Democratic leaders are attending. They will probably postpone formal action until after the fusion convention June 28. If they endorse the Chicago platform the sound money Democrats will tender or support the fusion ticket, but will keep a separate organization, probably without a separate ticket.
Tailors Resume Work, New York, May 26.—A thousand striking tailors resumed work today, having gained concessions demanded from the middlemen.
Washington News.
Washington, May 26.—Allison, chairman of the Republican caucus of the senate appointed as advisors on the committee on finance on the tariff bill. Spooner, Platt (New York) and Wilson will act with the Republican members of the finance committee in passing upon all amendments to the tariff bill and deciding upon all lines of policy bearing upon that measure.
The senate committee on foreign affairs decided to recommend the confirmation of the nomination of Hon. E. H. Conger of Iowa to be minister to Brazil.
Lieut. Peary has been detached from duty at the New York navy yard and granted five years leave of absence to enable him to prosecute his arctic explorations.
Land Commissioner Hermann rendered a decision in the Chicago Lake Front case today reversing the decision of Commissioner Lamoreaux over which something of a scandal arose and thus rejecting the application of Lofolietto and Bennett to locate McKee strip thereon. The lands in controversy are on the lake shore north of the river and are valued at \$15,000,000.
The president sent the following nominations to the senate today:
Charles Burdette Hart of West Virginia to be minister to the United States of Columbia; John G. Thompson of Illinois, Edmund Boyd of North Carolina to be assistant attorney general.
Postmasters: Illinois, Kate E. Moore, Geneseo.
ENGLAND OBJECTS.
Will Withdraw from the Concert of the Powers if Turkey is Permitted to Occupy Thessaly.
London, May 27.—An Athens special says: Great Britain has declared its intention of abandoning the concert of powers if it is determined that the occupation of Thessaly by the Turkish troops is prolonged until Greece pays the war indemnity demanded by Turkey.
BODY OF JOHN HOOVER FOUND.
Supposed to Have Been Killed by Indians Who are Preparing for Trouble.
Miss City, Mont., May 26.—The body of John Hoover, the missing sheep herder was found with two bullet holes through the body. His dog was killed by his side. Both were killed by Indians who are preparing for trouble. The settlers are growing uneasy.
Rev. Father M. A. Dooling of Clinton has gone to Pittsburgh and other eastern points to visit with his mother and other relatives. He has not had a vacation before in 13 years.

MARKET REPORT.
BY B. Z. TAYLOR.
Chicago, May 26.—Wheat opened about where it left off yesterday, saw-sawed for the most of the session and then showed its usual break. The trade was about on a par with yesterday and still shows room for improvement, the market having dull spots scattered through it in comparative plenty. Consols were 113 1/2 money and account at the start and at the close were 113 1/2 money and 113 7/8 account. Liverpool was quiet and 3d below yesterday's closing at the opening on this side and Berlin was 1/4 mark lower, while London reported cargoes steady. St. Louis, which was the weak sister yesterday, turned around today and was the strongholder for Chicago early, the advance in the city at the other end of the bridge of 1/4c, being the only early feature.
Corn opened about where it left off and made a small decline from the start. Trade was a little small and the market was not active. Total clearances were 555,641 bu. 443 cars graded. 551 received. Cables were lower on corn.
Oats opened about where they closed and were steady to firm. Trade fair; market not active. 65 cars graded of 893 received.
Provisions opened lower and sold off on the enormous receipts of hogs and the big estimates for tomorrow. Hogs closed steady but lower. Cattle closed 10 cents lower. Trade was rather small in provisions.
Peoria, Ill., May 26.—Corn, easy, new No. 2, 23 1/2c.
Oats slow, easier. No. 2 white, 19 and 20 1/2c.
Rye, quiet, easier.
Chicago.
Chicago, May 26.—Butter firm. Creameries 11 and 14 1/2c. Fairies 7 and 7 1/2c. Eggs steady, 9 1/2c. Live poultry steady. Turkeys 7 and 8. Chickens 7 and 7 1/2c. Ducks 7 and 8.
New York, May 26.—Butter firm, 11 and 15 1/2c.
New York, May 26.—Wheat, July 79 1/2c. Corn, 89 1/2c. Oats 21 1/2c.
St. Louis.
St. Louis, May 26.—Wheat cash, 85; July 72 1/2c.
Corn, cash 23; July 22 1/2c.
Oats, cash, 19; July 18 1/2c.
CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 26.

	Open-	High-	Low-	Close-
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Wheat—				
May	79 1/2	79 3/4	79 1/4	79 1/2
July	80 1/2	80 3/4	80 1/4	80 1/2
Sept.	81 1/2	81 3/4	81 1/4	81 1/2
Nov.	82 1/2	82 3/4	82 1/4	82 1/2
Dec.	83 1/2	83 3/4	83 1/4	83 1/2
Jan.	84 1/2	84 3/4	84 1/4	84 1/2
Feb.	85 1/2	85 3/4	85 1/4	85 1/2
Mar.	86 1/2	86 3/4	86 1/4	86 1/2
Apr.	87 1/2	87 3/4	87 1/4	87 1/2
May	88 1/2	88 3/4	88 1/4	88 1/2
June	89 1/2	89 3/4	89 1/4	89 1/2
July	90 1/2	90 3/4	90 1/4	90 1/2
Aug.	91 1/2	91 3/4	91 1/4	91 1/2
Sept.	92 1/2	92 3/4	92 1/4	92 1/2
Oct.	93 1/2	93 3/4	93 1/4	93 1/2
Nov.	94 1/2	94 3/4	94 1/4	94 1/2
Dec.	95 1/2	95 3/4	95 1/4	95 1/2
Jan.	96 1/2	96 3/4	96 1/4	96 1/2
Feb.	97 1/2	97 3/4	97 1/4	97 1/2
Mar.	98 1/2	98 3/4	98 1/4	98 1/2
Apr.	99 1/2	99 3/4	99 1/4	99 1/2
May	100 1/2	100 3/4	100 1/4	100 1/2
June	101 1/2	101 3/4	101 1/4	101 1/2
July	102 1/2	102 3/4	102 1/4	102 1/2
Aug.	103 1/2	103 3/4	103 1/4	103 1/2
Sept.	104 1/2	104 3/4	104 1/4	104 1/2
Oct.	105 1/2	105 3/4	105 1/4	105 1/2
Nov.	106 1/2	106 3/4	106 1/4	106 1/2
Dec.	107 1/2	107 3/4	107 1/4	107 1/2
Jan.	108 1/2	108 3/4	108 1/4	108 1/2
Feb.	109 1/2	109 3/4	109 1/4	109 1/2
Mar.	110 1/2	110 3/4	110 1/4	110 1/2
Apr.	111 1/2	111 3/4	111 1/4	111 1/2
May	112 1/2	112 3/4	112 1/4	112 1/2
June	113 1/2	113 3/4	113 1/4	113 1/2
July	114 1/2	114 3/4	114 1/4	114 1/2
Aug.	115 1/2	115 3/4	115 1/4	115 1/2
Sept.	116 1/2	116 3/4	116 1/4	116 1/2
Oct.	117 1/2	117 3/4	117 1/4	117 1/2
Nov.	118 1/2	118 3/4	118 1/4	118 1/2
Dec.	119 1/2	119 3/4	119 1/4	119 1/2
Jan.	120 1/2	120 3/4	120 1/4	120 1/2
Feb.	121 1/2	121 3/4	121 1/4	121 1/2
Mar.	122 1/2	122 3/4	122 1/4	122 1/2
Apr.	123 1/2	123 3/4	123 1/4	123 1/2
May	124 1/2	124 3/4	124 1/4	124 1/2
June	125 1/2	125 3/4	125 1/4	125 1/2
July	126 1/2	126 3/4	126 1/4	126 1/2
Aug.	127 1/2	127 3/4	127 1/4	127 1/2
Sept.	128 1/2	128 3/4	128 1/4	128 1/2
Oct.	129 1/2	129 3/4	129 1/4	129 1/2
Nov.	130 1/2	130 3/4	130 1/4	130 1/2
Dec.	131 1/2	131 3/4	131 1/4	131 1/2
Jan.	132 1/2	132 3/4	132 1/4	132 1/2
Feb.	133 1/2	133 3/4	133 1/4	133 1/2
Mar.	134 1/2	134 3/4	134 1/4	134 1/2
Apr.	135 1/2	135 3/4	135 1/4	135 1/2
May	136 1/2	136 3/4	136 1/4	136 1/2
June	137 1/2	137 3/4	137 1/4	137 1/2
July	138 1/2	138 3/4	138 1/4	138 1/2
Aug.	139 1/2	139 3/4	139 1/4	139 1/2
Sept.	140 1/2	140 3/4	140 1/4	140 1/2
Oct.	141 1/2	141 3/4	141 1/4	141 1/2
Nov.	142 1/2	142 3/4	142 1/4	142 1/2
Dec.	143 1/2	143 3/4	143 1/4	143 1/2
Jan.	144 1/2	144 3/4	144 1/4	144 1/2
Feb.	145 1/2	145 3/4	145 1/4	145 1/2
Mar.	146 1/2	146 3/4	146 1/4	146 1/2
Apr.	147 1/2	147 3/4	147 1/4	147 1/2
May	148 1/2	148 3/4	148 1/4	148 1/2
June	149 1/2	149 3/4	149 1/4	149 1/2
July	150 1/2	150 3/4	150 1/4	150 1/2
Aug.	151 1/2	151 3/4	151 1/4	151 1/2
Sept.	152 1/2	152 3/4	152 1/4	152 1/2
Oct.	153 1/2	153 3/4	153 1/4	153 1/2
Nov.	154 1/2	154 3/4	154 1/4	154 1/2
Dec.	155 1/2	155 3/4	155 1/4	155 1/2
Jan.	156 1/2	156 3/4	156 1/4	156 1/2
Feb.	157 1/2	157 3/4	157 1/4	157 1/2
Mar.	158 1/2	158 3/4	158 1/4	158 1/2
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THE MAIDS OF ATHENS.

Are Greek Women of To-Day as Beautiful as Has Been Claimed?

The Straight Nose of the Cnidian Venus is Never Seen—Classical Features as Numerous in New York as in Athens.

(Copyright, 1897.)

Is the "Maid of Athens" of to-day really beautiful? Has she the pure oval face and regular features of the white marble goddesses that have looked down upon imperfect flesh and blood so many centuries from their pedestals?

It would be like looking for a needle in a haystack to hunt Athens over now for the straight nose of the Cnidian Venus. Some people have doubted that Argive Helen herself had it. At any rate, she has not bequeathed that impossible feature of her war-kindling loveliness either to her more direct descendants in "the thirsty, horse-rearing Argos" or to the women of the more northern parts of the little Greek peninsula. The women of Athens have not more "classical" features than the women of New York. Scholars say that modern Greece is not Greek, but half Albanian and more or less Slavonic, so that it would not be fair, probably, to demand straight noses of living ladies than one finds, for example, on portrait statues of the very dead ladies whose faces are still seen as carved on their tombs—near neighbors to the Aphrodites, but not quite twin sisters.

In some one of his voluminous notes to his diffuse verse Byron says that the Albanian women are the most beautiful he has seen, and he particularly commends their graceful figures. Byron has passed for a good judge of women, and so the mixture of Albanian blood ought not to be too hurtful to Greek beauty. In Athens, which is more Albanian than most of Greece, the type of face, though not classic, is a good one. The forehead is broad and low, the eyes large and dark, with

amount of romantic and mythological association.

There are handsomer Greeks outside of Greece than in it. On the streets of Constantinople, or even in Cairo, you will see girls prettier and of a purer Greek type than in Athens. According to Byron, better Greek was spoken in his day in Japigia, in Epirus, than in Greece. The women in Japigia are noted to this day for their statuesque figures, which are well set off by their quaint zouave jackets and the drooping fez with its long blue tassel, twisted with gold threads. The dark golden-skinned women of Corfu are almost as much Italian as Greek, so that they do not count in any beauty competition. The average of good looks will be higher in Greece when the use of soap becomes a little less uncommon outside of half a dozen towns. Poor food and the life of the city come nearer to accounting for the degeneration of the Greek type, if degeneration there has been, than Albanian noses and Slavonic cheek bones.

ELIZA PUTNAM HEATON.

THE MAD KILLER.

Picturesque But Troublesome Methods of Malay Suicide.

It was a thick air that hung about the spice stalls. The smell of cloves and sandal wood breathed over Batavia like a sweetened cloud, and the searching, pungent reek of bruised pepper that hung round the inner shops was almost painful. Moreover, the Javanese is the craftiest fisher round the rim of the seas, and glorious are the hauls he brings ashore from the bays and rivers that slice Java to north and south. But he does not approve of fresh fish, preferring to smoke his prey in greenwood smoke. His crowding delight is the fermenting of a seething mass of fish-ry and prawns in the sun, stewed by natural heat to a noisome mess that gladdens the heart of Malays.

Away beyond the low houses I could see the long ridge of mountains that is the ragged backbone of Java. Some of them are volcanoes, extinct long aeons since. Here and there in the swarming crowds of the town I found a

SAD FATE.

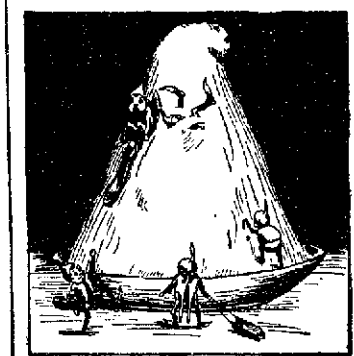
The New York newspapers recently published the details of the suicide of a society woman who became crazed by headache and drowned herself in the harbor. What a sad end to a life that ought to have been completely happy!



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BEAUTY TYPES IN MODERN GREECE.

arched brows; the cheek bones are higher and broader than the Greek ideal, the nose is regular enough, but not inhumanly perfect, and the outline of the lower part of the face at once full and firm with a fair chin. The complexion and hair are dark, but the coloring is less vivid and the contour less soft, in spite of oriental habits, than in the rather voluptuous beauty of a Roman girl. In fact, the modern Greek girl is more northern-looking than the Italian.

The Athenian woman is at her best in the Albanian dress, which has been adopted as the national Greek costume. She doesn't wear it very often, being a townsman and preferring the clothes of the Franks, but a good-looking peasant girl comes into town occasionally of a Sunday morning in the long white woolen coat, embroidered in bright colors, that used to be almost universal. This coat is worn over a skirt of the same undyed, homespun wool, worked in a similar fashion. The long red or green apron is gayly decorated, and on the head is worn a white scarf or veil, with a drooping fez, or, more frequently, with a vivid yellow handkerchief. No girl could help looking picturesque in this apparel, and the ladies who order their gowns from Paris keep costumes of the old sort in their wardrobes, partly out of patriotism and partly for fancy dress, but principally to be photographed in. Queen Olga wears the Greek dress on such few occasions as allow it, and this fact has added considerably to her popularity.

Water and climatic conditions have even more to do with the Greek girl's looks than have her clothes. No reminiscence of the cult of Demeter and Persephone can baffle the homeliness of the women of Eleusis, where once the "Mysteries" were celebrated, but where now the people shake withague worse than they used to shake with awe. Nor can the respect which is due such a venerable river as the Alpheios blind the eyes to the pinched and sallow ugliness of the people who drink malaria from the low lands about Olympia, where it overflows.

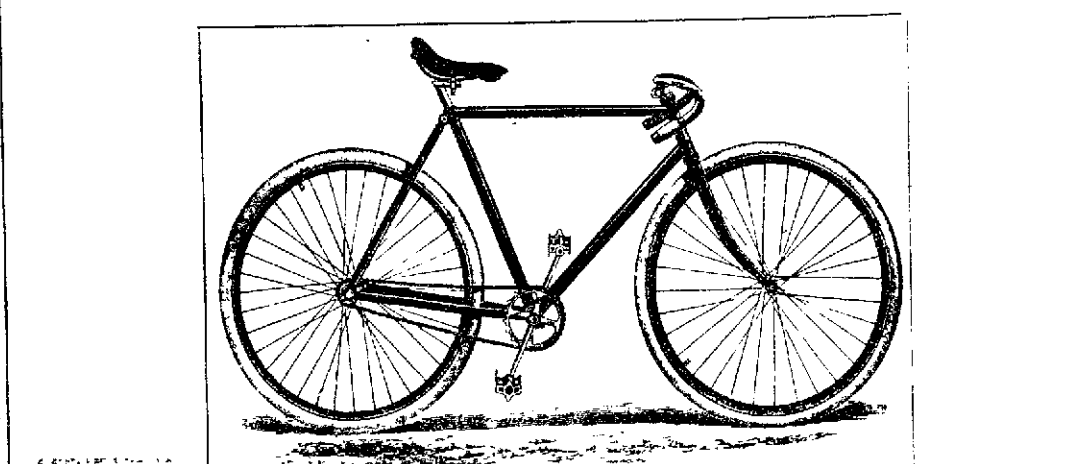
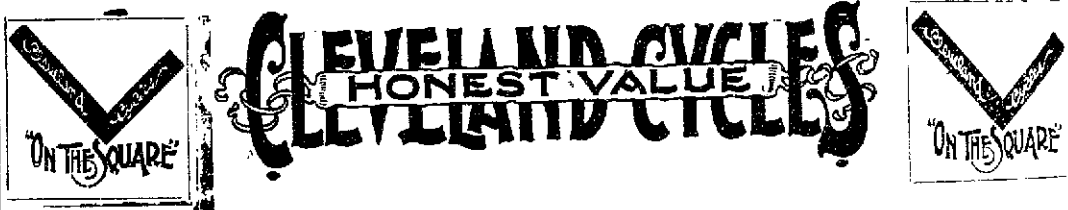
The Greeks say that their handsomest women are born in Megara, on the isthmus of Corinth, and down in Messenia, where the orange trees and the vines are most fruitful. But the loveliest girls I have seen were in the little village of Lala up on the slope of Mount Phloe in the Peloponnese, and at Divri, a mountain town so hidden among the hills that thousands of Greeks took refuge in it from the Turks in the war of independence and were not discovered. High ground and good springs are better for beauty than any

man from the hills—stark, wiry, and of more muscular limbs than the dreamy lollers that love the plain. There was the gleam of the higher air on his skin, and his hair was short and crisp. On his shoulders he carried salable leopard skins, and in his eyes an open scorn for the feeble men around. This is the way of all mountain men, even nearer home than Java.

By and by, in the hush of the glaring noon, there sounded an angry scream up the street, three seconds later a yell of pain, and the sobbing cry of a man cut deep through the lungs. It touched off the whole teeming populace like a match in a powder barrel; there was a frenzied rush of swarthy loafers for safety, and a shrieking chorus of "Amok! amok!" the street cry of the far east which means many deaths in a short period. Out of a byway a lithe Malay tore blindly down the road, driving his knife into the stomach of a water carrier as he passed. The carrier fell on his face with a thick cough, and the frantic man spun forward, with starting, bloodshot eyeballs, foaming at the mouth like a rabid dog, a narrow dripping kris in his right hand. He dashed furiously among the deserted stalls, and on through the town, till a big Lascar, fresh from his ship and hungry for a fight, sank his knife under the madman's ribs with the slipping upstroke which is the legacy of all Lascars throughout the earth.

These ten-minute dramas occur 20 or 30 times a year in Batavia and in most cities of the remoter east. The pleasant Malay prefers this method of suicide to any other, and after losing his wealth at a gambling den in the east city slums, or his betrothed through fever, he decides on an amok. It is far less cold-blooded than common self-murder, and the red, rabid frenzy appeals to the hot blood of the ruined Malay. He buries his kris in the body of the nearest man, and keeps the line of a maddened jackal through the town, killing to right and left, till a reader knife ends him. I have known 11 victims to succumb to one amok, and at times a powerful hill-man will cut down a score of bystanders before he meets the point. In all countries of the farthest east you will find that ruin breeds this fever for the Running Kill.—London Answers.

In the Way.
A friend once urged Lord Shand, an English judge, to learn how to skate. "It is splendid exercise," said he, "and it is not beneath the dignity of a judge to skate." "No," said his lordship, "but it is beneath the dignity of a judge to fall."—Golden Days.

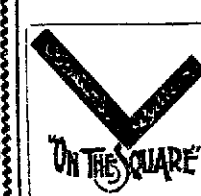


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WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 1897.

REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District.
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
(Election June 7.)

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
(Three to elect—Election June 7.)
W. G. COCHRAN, of Moultrie.
F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. P. VAIL, of Macon.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 26.—Warmer with showers late tonight and Thursday. Increasing southeast winds.

CONGRESSIONAL REAPPORTIONMENT

The bill as agreed to by the Senate Committee and Which They Will Report.

Springfield, May 26.—The senate committee on congressional reapportionment at a meeting last evening agreed to a bill reapportioning the state congressionally. The bill provides for four certain Republican districts and two certain Democratic districts and one doubtful district in Cook county.

The apportionment for the state outside of Cook is as follows:

Eighth district—Boone, McHenry, DeKalb, Kane and DuPage. Republican.
Ninth district—Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Winnebago, Carroll, Olge and Lee. Republican.

Tenth district—Whiteside, Rock Island, Henry, Bureau and Putnam. Republican.

Eleventh district—La Salle, Kendall, Grundy and Will. Republican.

Twelfth district—Adams, Hancock, McDonough, Henderson, Warren, Mercer, DeKalb and Boone. Republican.

Thirteenth district—Knox, Stark, Peoria, Schuyler, Marshall and Fulton. Republican.

Fourteenth district—Woodford, Livingston, Ford, Tazewell and McLean. Republican.

Fifteenth district—Kankakee, Iroquois, Vermilion, Edgar, Coles and Cumberland. Republican.

Sixteenth district—De Witt, Piatt, Macon, Monro, Champaign and Douglas. Republican.

Seventeenth district—Cass, Menard, Logan, Morgan, Sangamon, Christian and Mason. Democratic.

Eighteenth district—Brown, Pike, Scott, Calhoun, Green, Jersey, Macoupin and Montgomery. Democratic.

Nineteenth district—Madison, Bond, St. Clair, Washington, Monroe, Randolph and Perry. Doubtful.

Twentieth district—Shelby, Fayette, Edinburg, Clinton, Marion, Jefferson, Franklin, Hamilton and White. Democratic.

Twenty-first district—Clark, Jasper, Crawford, Clay, Riechland, Lawrence, Wayne, Edwards and Wabash. Democratic.

Twenty-second district—Jackson, Williamson, Saline, Gallatin, Union, Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Alexander, Pulaski and Macon. Republican.

It is Making Progress.

Chicago Times-Herald: The proposition made in the Times-Herald to have the war chapters for a school history prepared by a commission composed of eminent educators, half of whom served in the federal army and half in the confederate, is still meeting with much favor. The leading papers of the south, including one or more in Richmond, Atlanta, New Orleans, Nashville, Memphis, Charleston, Savannah, Mobile and Chattanooga, have commented at length on the subject, and most of them favorably. Large numbers of northern papers have also had the matter under consideration and, like their friends at the south, look upon it with decided favor. Prominent members of the old armies of the north and south have expressed the belief that it is the most reasonable and certain way to secure such a history for the schools as will be in all respects reliable—one that will be of service in planting in the hearts of the youth the deepest possible love for the republic.

As already stated in the Times-Herald, the Confederate Veterans, who will hold their annual meeting at Nashville in June, where representative men from every southern state will be present, have set aside a share of the convention for discussing the history question from the standpoint of the proposition made in these columns. Word is received that a number of northern soldiers will go to Nashville to listen to the discussion, with a view to aiding them in furthering the movement at the north.

The Department of Wisconsin, Grand Army of the Republic, which met at Eau Claire last week, approved of the plan by adopting the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The war between the north and south ended nearly a third of a century ago—ended to the honor and glory of the best government ever vouchsafed to mankind; and

Whereas, There has not yet been prepared for use in the public schools of the United States chapters on that great war for a school history that do exact justice to states, armies, battles and leaders, and are satisfactory to both north and south; and

Whereas, Such chapters in a school history are most desirable, and would be of incalculable benefit to the country in proper instruction of the youth, therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the belief of the Department of Wisconsin, Grand Army of the Republic, that the surest, quickest, easiest and best way to secure such chapters for a national school history is to secure a commission of disinterested and distinguished educators from the ranks of the contending armies in the contest from 1861 to 1865.

Resolved, That our representatives to the national encampment, which meets at Buffalo next August, be requested to present this matter to that honorable body.

That the move is one in the right direction and well calculated to bring good results cannot be denied.

W. J. Bryan has refused to address the gold miners' convention in Denver. Why he should draw the lines here is past finding out when he professes to believe that the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 would bring the two metals to a parity.

The senate Democrats have decided to make their next campaign on whiskey, beer and tobacco. They will oppose an increase of the tax on these articles in the new tariff bill as a party policy.

The Democratic candidate for judge who puts up his money as contemplated in the "still hunt" plan, now that the plan has been laid bare, will simply throw it away. An advertised still hunt catches no game.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address:

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Only one dollar for the round trip to Springfield via the Wabash railroad on Sunday May 30th. It is under the auspices of the German Catholic Aid Society. Special train leaves Decatur at 8:15 a. m., returning leaves Springfield at 7:30 p. m. Tickets for sale at the Schlandeman Hotel, Henry Bros. bakery or by the committee, A. Spaeth, L. Scherman and Frank Kocklesan. Also at the depot Sunday morning.

Dr. James Leighton for sixty years a resident of Manchester is dead. He left a fortune of \$150,000. On of the heirs is Mrs. N. E. Pegram of Lincoln.

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The Bloomington Trip, May 29.

All persons desiring to attend the concert of the Choral club and the great Carnival at Bloomington on May 29th, can take the excursion train at 8 o'clock in the morning. Fare, \$1.00 round trip; good to return until Sunday afternoon. Tickets can be purchased of Thomas Peniwell up-town agent I. C. R. R. The Chorus and Orchestra will go on special train at 12.15. Concert tickets on sale at Lutz's music house.

There will be an ice cream and strawberry social at Westminster Chapel, corner of Macon street and Haworth avenue, on Thursday evening, May 27. An admission fee of 15 cents will be charged, and the ticket will be good for ice cream or strawberries and cake. A cordial invitation to all. The Sunday school needs new song books, and the money raised will be used for the purchase of new books.

Rev. Jabez Snasbail of Grand Rapids, Miss., was run into by a street car while riding his wheel and probably fatally injured.

A bicycle made out of Pepsin chewing gum is a window attraction at West's Drug Store.

Champaign county has about forty drainage districts upon which about \$800,000 has been expended, and still the drainage is incomplete and the system is in its infancy.

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Administrator's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, IN THE COUNTY COURT, August Term, 1896.

In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased. DeWitt C. Corley, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased vs. Mary S. Kirk, O. T. Kirk, Colesia A. Christian, John Christian, Fred Norman, Henry Shilsiedeman, John G. Keller, county superintendent of schools of Macon county, Illinois, Ann R. Cummings, Hiram Johnson, James Millikin, Orville B. Gorin, surviving partners of the firm of J. Millikin & Co., R. J. Roberts, W. L. Johnson, William J. Pegram, William Conel, and James E. Debons—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree in the above entitled cause entered at the August term thereof A. D. 1896, and modified as to terms of sale at the May term, 1897, the undersigned administrator will on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1897 at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m. of said day at the north door of the Court House in Decatur, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot sixteen in J. K. Warren & Co.'s Sixth addition to Decatur; also lots four, five and six in Martin Forstmeier's resurvey block "A" in Martin Forstmeier's addition to the city of Decatur, also lot thirteen in block fourteen in Railroad addition to the village of Macon, all of said premises being situated in Macon county and state of Illinois.

The terms of said sale will be cash in hand on the day of sale.

Abstracts of title to said premises can be seen at the office of the clerk of said court at 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.

DREWITT C. CORLEY,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased.

May 26-d 4w

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DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

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Dimities at almost Half Price. Organdies ditto. Summer coolness and good looks at a fraction of the price that you are accustomed to. UNCOMMON GOODS at decidedly COMMON PRICES will crowd this section of THE BIG STORE with pleased purchasers.

50 pieces of Tambour Fantasia—new, bright, stylish. This fabric retails everywhere at 25c yard. While it lasts, choice 13½c at yard.

20 styles of Fancy and Plain Batistes. These goods are very late and ultra stylish. Worth up to 45c a yard. All in one lot, now, yard 23c.

Checked and Fancy Cycle Suitings, warranted fast colors. Some pretty, new ideas. While they last 12½c.

50 pieces of Amoskeag Bouretted Zephyrs. Pretty effects—fine fabric. Regular 1½c goods. While they last, choice 5c.

New Seersuckers, Zephyrs, etc., in stripes, fancies and checks. About 25 pieces in this lot. They are beauties and only, yard 6½c.

100 Pieces of Printed Dimities, all styles and colorings. They sell everywhere at 10c yard. All go on sale at 5c yard.

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NEW RIBBONS.

A SPLENDID SHOWING AND A SPECIAL SELLING.

9-inch Taffeta and Moire Sash Ribbons in all colors. Pretty and Stylish, at yard 75c.

Fancy Faille Hat Band Ribbons. Pretty plaids and stripes at yard 30c.

Arabian Taffeta Hat Band Ribbon in 23 different combinations at 25c yd.

Fancy Taffeta and Gauze Ribbons, new and faddish at 15c, 25c, 35c, and 50c yd.

Ladies' Fancy Collars at 25c, 40c, 50c, and \$1.00.

Ladies' Fancy Frocks at 40c, 75c, 95c and \$1.50.

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SPECIAL. Dress Goods SPECIAL.

60 yards of 46-in. Vigouroux and Covert Suitings from the Lightest to the Darkest Shades, especially adapted to Tailor Made and Bicycle costumes. Every piece is worth from 75c to \$1 yd.

OUR SPECIAL PRICE 50c A YARD.

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HURRAH FOR THE MAY FESTIVAL!

—AT THE—

Christian Tabernacle, Decatur, Ills.,

Thursday and Friday Evenings, May 27 and 28.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

No home talent chorus has ever presented more difficult or beautiful music than will be rendered during this Festival.

Prof. Calvin has given over 400 concertos the past 24 years. This is his first in Decatur.

Prof. M. S. CALVIN, Director.

WALDORF BROS. Accompanists.

100 Voices in Main Chorus.

150 Voices in Children's Choruses.

Ladies' Quartet, Duets, Solos, Etc., Etc.

Complete Change of Program Second Night.

Among the selections will be "The Dream" by Sir Michael Costa, (grand chorus); "The Anvil Chorus" by Verdi, with anvil accompaniment; "The Miller's Wooing" by Fanning, by Macy soprano, to be acted and sung by 55 youths in costume; "Deep Rolling Clouds," by Rossini; Glee by Butterfield, Bizet, Etc., Etc.

In ordinary times seats to these grand entertainments would sell at \$1.00, but the committee has placed the price at 25 cents, and at this figure confidently expect packed houses.

Tickets and Reserved Seats at Otto E. Curtis & Bros.' Jewelry Store.

Plat Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, all day. Eighty-six ladies also selling tickets.

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29c Each.

300 pairs of ready made, good quality

unbleached Sheets, 2½ yards wide

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ing and it takes 2½ yards to make a

sheet. This week to make room we

sell these 9-4 Seamless Sheets 29c

for, each.

The same Sheet, Bleached, full

4½ size, this week for.... 35c

Ready made Pillow Cases

For..... 5c

A good ready-made Pillow Case,

45 inch, for..... 10c

Genuine 45 inch Hemstitched

Pillow Cases for, each..... 12½c

5c EACH 50 dozen of pure white, very

large, elegant Bath Towels. Why

pay 10c? Our price this week

is each..... 5c

7½c EACH—50 dozen of All Linen

Huck Towels, hemmed or with fringe

Why pay 10c and 12½c? Our

price this week is, each..... 7½c

10c Satin Damask Towels, hemmed

and with openwork with fancy

borders, for, each..... 19c

Lace Curtains.

\$1.00 Lace Curtains, a pair..... 60c

\$1.25 Lace Curtains, a pair..... 95c

\$1.50 Lace Curtains, a pair..... \$1.15

\$2.00 Lace Curtains, a pair..... \$1.49

\$2.00 Point de Esprit Curtains, pair \$2.50

\$4.00 Irish Point and Savoy Cur-

tains, a pair..... \$3.25

1½ Dotted Swisses for..... 10c

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A Lady Who Knows All

About the values of goods, who is familiar with prices and qualities in every de-
partment will readily recognize that in every article, every item, every yard of
merchandise purchased in our store, something can be saved. These savings
make a material difference in a bill of goods. We guarantee that in every in-
stance, no matter whether goods are cut off or not, we cheerfully refund money
if our prices are not the lowest, taking quality into consideration. Square deal-
ings, honorable principles, good values, account for the crowds who daily throng
our store.

Prices Like These Always Win.

20c Each.	NEW--DAINTY--COOL
20 pairs of ready made, good quality unbleached Sheets, 2½ yards wide and 2½ yards long, deep hems, well made. Why pay 15c a yard for sheet ing and it takes 2½ yards to make a sheet. This week to make room we sell these 91 Seamless Sheets for, each 29c	Wash Materials...
The same Sheet, Bleached, full size, this week for 35c	20 pieces of Scotch Lawns, in- stead of 6c, go for 3½c
Ready made Pillow Cases for 5c	20 pieces of Canton Cord Dimities; 20 pieces of genuine Organdy Rays, al- ways sold for 7½c, our price, 5c a yard.
A good ready made Pillow Case, 4 inch, for 10c	ALL AT 7½c. —25 pieces of Czarina, 25 pieces of very fine Dimity, 25 pieces of printed Nainsook, 20 pieces of Fig- ured Madras—beautiful, desirable summer materials. Why pay 7½c 10c and 12½c? Our price is, a yd. 7½c
Genuine 41 inch Hemstitched Pillow Cases for, each 12½c	ALL AT 10c. —20 pieces of Croisette, a lovely material; 20 pieces of Zephyr D'Ete, very dainty, and 24 pieces of Organdy Lisse Goods, worth from 15c to 18c, all in one lot, for 10c
EACH 50 dozen of pure white, very large elegant Bath Towels. Why pay 10c and 12½c? Our 7½c price this week is, each 7½c	20c Imported French Organdies, an immense and pleasing variety, for a yard 15c
5c Satin Damask Towels, hemmed and with openwork with fancy borders, for, each 19c	SPECIAL BARGAINS —IN— White Dress Goods. Bargains in Shirt Waists.
Lace Curtains. \$1.00 Lace Curtains, a pair 89c \$1.25 Lace Curtains, a pair 98c \$1.50 Lace Curtains, a pair \$1.15 \$2.00 Lace Curtains, a pair \$1.49 \$3.00 Point de Esprit Curtains, pair \$2.50 \$4.00 Irish Point and Savoy Cur- tains, a pair \$3.25 5c Dotted Swisses for 10c	

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surely interested when buying clothing for
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at least expenditure of time and money. We
think we have the best fitting Clothing manu-
factured; we know it is as well made as it is
possible to make clothing; we know we show
as good an assortment as you will find any-
where, bought as cheap as it is possible to buy
good clothing, hence we feel that we can save
you both time and money.

Our Line of Men's Suits

embraces all the Novelties as well as Staples,
and range in price from **\$5.00** to **\$18.00** a suit.

Our Children's Department

is exceptionally complete, and in it we show
all new fabrics, in Juvenile, Reefer and Vestee
styles. Prices from **\$2.00** to **\$8.00**.

Please do yourself good by seeing us.

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Clothing Co.,

245-249 NORTH WATER STREET.
NEXT TO BRADLEY BROS.

CARD PARTIES.

Given by Miss Jeannette Rogers Last Night
and This Afternoon at Her Home
on West Decatur Street.

This afternoon at her home on West
Decatur street Miss Jeannette Rogers
handsomely entertained a number of
her lady friends at a card party. The
guests played six-hand euchre and there
were six tables. The two winners in the
game received prizes which were hand-
some pieces of embroidered linen. At
the close of the game at 6 o'clock supper
will be served. The following were the
guests: Mesdames W. H. Ennis, J. E.
Bering, V. H. Parke, J. K. Warren, E.
D. Bartholomew, B. O. McReynolds, H.
C. Johns, J. W. Johns, W. M. Catto, D.
H. Conklin, Ira Barnes, W. E. Nelson,
V. G. Hatch, J. M. Clokey, J. W. Race,
J. R. Race, E. A. Jones, B. K. Duffee,
James Millikin, John Ulrich, Will Shel-
labarger, John Prestley, W. H. Prestley,
E. W. Heilman, C. M. Hurst, Emma
Alexander, Charles Murphy, Aten
Lytle, E. A. West, J. G. Stauffer,
A. T. Summers, William Voor-
hies, W. J. Quinlan, Ed. Carter, J. N.
Randall, D. S. Shellabarger, T. T. Rob-
erts, W. T. Wells, Peter Loeb, Ed. Denz,
W. H. Scruggs, C. L. Griswold, R. L.
Walston, A. H. Lander, E. P. Bishop,
Will Heilman, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs.
Hadden, Misses Mattie Gerin and Lillie
Chadsey, Mrs. A. B. Funk and Mrs. H.
D. Spencer of Bloomington, Miss Ma-
thene of Springfield, Mrs. H. C. Clark,
of Mendota, Ill.

Miss Rogers last evening gave a six-
hand euchre party to the young mar-
ried people. It was in honor of her
guests, Mrs. A. B. Funk and her sister,
Mrs. H. D. Spencer, both of Bloomington.
The prize for the winning lady, a
painted picture frame, was won by Mrs.
A. C. Race, and the prize for the gentle-
man, a silver cigar-lighter, was taken by
James Coop. Supper was served and
the house was prettily decorated for
the occasion with roses and other
flowers.

Thirty Days in Jail.

Bill Etheridge, the "Sweet Singer,"
who was arrested on a warrant sworn out
by Mrs. Ballard charging him with
stealing a garden hose, was brought be-
fore Justice Shorb this morning. He
waived examination and was taken before
Judge Hammer in the county court. In-
formation was filed against him and Eth-
eridge got thirty days in the county jail.

The Havenmeyer Trial.

Washington, May 26.—The trial of
Henry O. Havenmeyer, the sugar king, in-
dicated for refusing to answer questions
propounded by the senate sugar investiga-
tion committee in June, 1894, was re-
sumed this morning. Extracts from the
senate journal detailing the facts of Have-
meyer's contumacy were admitted in evi-
dence.

Broke His Arm.

Everett, the 4-year old son of Mr. and
Mrs. William Downing, met with an ac-
cident yesterday. He broke both bones
of one arm. No one saw the child in-
jured and it is not known just how it
happened. Dr. Everett J. Brown was
called and reduced the fracture.

BEGGING CRAZE IN ENGLAND.
Gaze Darts Over the Raising of Vari-
ous Subscriptions.

The approach of the end of the cen-
tury in England finds the people gone
dart over the raising of subscriptions.
If there be one thing above all others
that characterizes the Britons of to-
day it is their persistent fondness for
creating "funds," and they seize every
pretext for arousing the interest of the
nation in this project and that. The
fad, for such it must be, is illustrated
by the present outcropping of schemes
for innumerable purposes, all seeking
to draw money from the purses of the
charitable and inspired by the ap-
proaching celebration of the comple-
tion of the sixtieth year of Queen Vic-
toria's reign. This fashion of appeal-
ing to the public for money because
of some national ceremony has not
taken root in this country and the citi-
zens of America may be devoutly thank-
ful, if the present experience of the
English nation is to be taken as an in-
dex of the logical development of the
craze. Subscription papers, it is said,
flutter in every corner of the United
Kingdom.

All classes are appealed to for pounds,
shillings and pence. Shilling lists are
popular. It is related that a certain
great project was put forth on the basis
of a national shilling subscription. It
was planned to acknowledge each con-
tribution in the columns of three Lon-
don dailies. It soon appeared that it
was costing a shilling and a half to
acknowledge each shilling and then the
plans were changed. Here are some of
the projects for which these various
"funds" are being raised. To raise
the debts of the London hospitals; to
create public libraries by the score; for
the benefit of the hospital nurses; for
the sustenance of the clergy; for the
spread of temperance; for the creation
of new parks; for the purchase of life-
boats; for the benefit of a home for
incurables; for the erection of "Vic-
toria cottage homes," presumably for
the benefit of certain elegant paupers;
for the relief of the spinsters of the na-
tion; for the relief of distressed Irish
ladies; for the prevention of cruelty to
children; for the benefit, in some un-
stated manner, of lady mayors; for the
erection of a home for the dying,
and the climax is capped by a fund for
the creation of a lethal chamber for
dignified—Washington Star.

The wing championship shoot at Kan-
sas City, Mo., was finally won by Slim
Glover, of Rochester, N. Y.



SCARED BY THE BAND

The Platt County Creamery Wagon in a
Smash-Up—Buttermilk Running
Into the Sewer.

This afternoon just as the Vandeville
band players seated in an electric car
started out for a tour of the city, there
was a damaging runaway at the corner of
East Main street and Water. The team
was attached to the yellow wagon of the
Platt county creamery, and was standing
in front of Cloyd's grocery store, while
the driver, R. E. McKinney, was in the
store arranging for the sale of butter.
The team was held in check by a weight,
but when the rattling band came along
in the car, the horses took fright and
dashed across the street, going east and
making a turn in front of the car, cutting
the corner in front of King's drug store,
the horses passing between the two poles
at the corner. The wagon was caught by
the big mail box and the poles and there
was a sudden collapse, the wagon tipping
over on its side, emptying the big cans
inside of their contents, the buttermilk
whitening the pavement and flowing
down through the catch-basins into the
sewer. The collision stopped the team
and they were held in check by men who
came to the help of Mr. McKinney who
had rushed after the horses hoping to
stop them. Two wheels of the wagon
were wrecked and part of the bed was
damaged. The band did not stop playing
until after the accident. Possibly the
leader did not observe that there was like-
ly to be trouble. If he did he deserves the
general censure expressed by those who
witnessed the accident. Mr. McKinney
righted the rig and moved off to a repair
shop.

DAUGHTERS OF THE REVOLUTION

Meeting Held This Morning at the Home
of Mrs. V. N. Hostetler.

The members of the local branch of the
Daughters of the Revolution held a meet-
ing this morning at the home of Mrs. V.
N. Hostetler on West Mason street. The
topic of discussion was on the organiza-
tion of the states of Florida and Georgia.
A business session was held and it was
decided to celebrate Flag Day which oc-
curs on June 14. The celebration will be
held on June 17. That will be the last
meeting the organization will hold this
season and the members will disband for
the summer. Mrs. V. N. Hostetler and
Mrs. V. G. Hatch were reappointed as
members of the topic committee. It was
decided that the Daughters of the Revolu-
tion would offer next year a prize to the
members of the senior class of the high
school who wrote the best essay on the
subject of American history.

Will Open a Station.

The Illinois Central road will open a
station at Radford, Ill. Formerly the
tickets were sold at the elevator office but
now a man will be put in charge of the
station and telegraphic connection made
with the railroad wire.

Not only piles of the very worst kind
can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel
Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns,
bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin
troubles can be instantly relieved by the
same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son,
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The water works well at Sheldon is
now over 550 feet deep. The drill is in
sandstone, in which it is hoped to find
water.

Don't neglect a cough because the
weather is pleasant; before the next
storm rolls around it may develop into
a serious difficulty beyond repair. One
Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and
will do what its name implies. A. J.
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N.
L. Krone.

The residence of Martin Scott, two
miles southeast of Pastime park, Dewitt
county, was destroyed by fire, with part
of the furniture.

The meeting of stockholders of the Fre-
mons, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad
company was held at Omaha.



SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these
Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia,
Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A per-
fect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsi-
ness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue,
Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They
Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.
Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

Special Auction!

—IN THE—

CHINA DEPARTMENT,

...Tomorrow, Thursday Afternoon...

2 O'CLOCK.

There has been such a scramble for bargains in the dry goods
lines, that we have not been able to offer as much from the
other departments as their importance demands, so we will
make a special selling in the China and Fancy Wares.

This is a line that never fails to appeal to the ladies, and
we expect a great outpouring.

...Come Early and Get Seats...

Don't Forget the Evening Sales--Every Night at 7:30.

The Chicago Evan S. Young & Co.

124-126-128 PRAIRIE STREET.

A GENUINE

Sacrifice Sale

—OF—

High-Class Vehicles

Terms Cash—No time will be given on the
Vehicles here advertised

These goods are strictly fine—too fine for the times.
People want low prices and we have decided to supply
the demand and have disregarded costs.

Here They Go!

- 1 Cut Under Surrey with Canopy Top..... \$105
former price \$155.
- 1 Shell Body Cut Under Canopy Top Surrey..... \$115
former price \$200.
- 1 Canopy Top Cabriolet, very light and extra fine \$125
former price \$215.
- 1 Two-seat Phaeton, very fine..... \$135
former price \$225.
- 1 Boulevard Surrey, the most comfortable rig in
town..... \$140
former price \$250.
- 1 London Side Door Surrey, very stylish and light, \$135
former price \$185.
- 1 Spider Phaeton..... \$225
former price \$350.

We never did do such a thing before, but we want to
see if there are not six people in Decatur who want
stylish, high-grade vehicles and have the cash to pay
down for them. COME QUICK and bring this ad.
and your money.

J. G. Starr & Son,

...Lincoln Square...

The Newest and Latest!

—Our new stock of—

Leather Belts and

Shirt Waist Sets.

New, Stylish and Low Priced. See them.

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The Stylish, Correct Hats.
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—OF—
Shirts and Overalls,
—AND ALL KINDS OF—
MEN'S WORKING CLOTHING,
we can sell you better made goods
for the money than other dealers.
Best Work Shirts in the City for 50c.
Overalls for 50c. Boys' Bib Overalls 25c.

Don't forget our Summer Underwear. Best you
ever saw for 50c a garment.

Race Clothing M'fg Co.,
135 North Water Street.

Hammock Season
Is now at hand, and we have a full line,
AND PRICES ALL RIGHT.
All New, Fresh Stock—Bright Colors.

CROQUET, 4, 6 AND 8
BALLS.
Also Professional Sets—9-inch Mallets, Short Handles.

J. Edward Saxton's Book Store...
120 Prairie Street.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

—Mgr. Maccaroni has just been appointed a canon of the vatican basilica by the pope.

—Rouget de l'Isle's manuscript of "La Marseillaise" was sold at auction lately in Paris for 2,550 francs.

—Gen. Kostaró Kristos, the chief of the Cretan insurgents, is 100 years of age, and is said to have the fire and enthusiasm of a youth of 20.

—Buluwayo is to set up a great brazen image of Cecil Rhodes in one of its squares. The order has been sent to a British sculptor named Tweed.

—In her gentler moods the late Princess de Caraman Chimay amuses herself by pouring milk over her courier. He is suing her for the value of suits of clothes spoiled by her.

—Count Ernest Paul von Hugel, who married the duke of Teck's sister and was thus distantly related to the English royal family, recently blew his brains out at Gatz, in Austria.

—Eccentricity in dress is now a ground for exclusion from the British museum reading-room. A man who was in the habit of wearing sandals instead of shoes and going without a collar or a hat was recently turned out.

—Ink, black, red or blue, contains disease-breeding bacteria, micrococci and saprophytes, according to German doctors, who have been examining school inks and have cultivated a bacillus found in it that proved fatal to mice in four days.

—England has turned against its own sparrow. The birds are being slaughtered wholesale by the farmers, especially in Yorkshire, and great disgust is expressed at the manner of their taking off. The board of agriculture refuses to protect the birds.

SAW VICTORIA CROWNED.

A Baltimorean's Recollections of the Accession Sixty Years Ago.

Mr. John Carpenter, who has lived here since 1845, was present at the crowning of Victoria at Westminster. He talked about the event without hesitating:

"Victoria," he said, "was declared the lawful heir on June 20, 1837, but on account of her age—she was not yet 18—the public coronation did not take place until June 28, 1838. It is a long time ago. The pageant was a magnificent one. How long, my memory does not serve me, but it was gorgeous. I saw the queen. She was a fresh-looking young thing, with a happy, smiling face, as innocent-looking as she was. There was not a care upon her brow. It seemed as if no thought of the stupendous responsibilities which she was assuming had come to her. She appeared utterly unconscious of self or the part she was playing in that notable event.

"She did not appear frightened, but to the plaudits of the multitude she turned to the left and right, bowing and smiling most graciously. I had a good position on one of the thoroughfares through which the pageant passed, and got a good look at her. Of course, the trappings of her horses and the chariot and everything else were most gorgeous. And such cheering! Such crowds! People? There were people everywhere. Strange as it may seem, though the queen should have been the central figure, I think what impressed me most on that occasion was the superb appearance of Marshal Soult, the French ambassador, and his staff. Everything was gorgeous in the pageant, but Soult was more than gorgeous. I can see his trappings in my mind's eye at this minute. To attempt to describe them would be beyond my power. Gorgeous is all I can say for them, and he knew that they were gorgeous. While there was no self-consciousness about the queen, there was plenty of it about the French ambassador, and the people fed his vanity, for cheer after cheer rent the air as he passed by. There were long lines of resplendent soldiery; the brilliant uniforms, the glittering gold lace, the flashing of the arms in the sunlight, the blare of the trumpets, the cavalcade of horsemen, carriages of state—everything went to make up such a pageant as is seldom seen, and can hardly be eclipsed by anything at the present time.

"Was the queen beautiful? I can hardly say that I obtained such an impression of her. I think she was pretty. Yes, I know she was. But it was her youth and her freshness that impressed me most. She had clear-cut features, and her portraits of this date show nothing of the slender young girl with the graceful carriage I remember seeing that summer day so long ago."

Mr. Carpenter has in his possession a copy of the Sun, a paper published in London, and probably the only one to be found in this city of the date of the coronation. It was printed at the time in gilt, all of which has nearly worn away, but the paper is an excellent state of preservation. On the front page is a vignette profile of the young queen, which Mr. Carpenter says was an excellent likeness at the time, and an editorial note announces it a triumph of art.

The paper was printed on June 20, 1838, and the number in the possession of Mr. Carpenter is the twentieth edition. It contains a history of former coronations, the make-up of the pageant, and the positions of the various troops, etc., in the coronation parade, a sketch of the young queen, and every matter pertaining to the event. There is also a description of the crown which was placed on the head of the youthful daughter of the duke of Kent. This crown was estimated to be worth over \$111,000.—Baltimore American.

RUINED.

Proprietor—What are you taking back, there?

Waiter—Customer sent this steak back; says he couldn't eat it.

(Examining it.)—"Take it back to him at once and tell him he'll have to pay for it. We can never use it again; he has bent it all out of shape."—Pick-Me-Up.

Marvelous Results.
From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderson, of Diamondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeded by La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." At West's drug store.

Airish Prikker, a young German farmer of Peoria, was killed by a runaway team. His clothes caught on the hub of the wheel as he jumped and he was dangled a mile and a half.

A Warm Friend.
Foley's Colic Cure is very hot, but when diluted it is a warm friend, indeed, to those suffering from bowel complaints. It never fails. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Rev. Father M. A. Dooling of Clinton has gone to Pittsburg and other eastern points to visit with his mother and other relations. He has not had a vacation before in 12 years.

A Queer (?) Medicine.
There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder troubles. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Homer Enterprise: What few wheat fields there are in this section are doomed to destruction by the chinch bug pest. The bugs have also commenced their work of devastation on some fields of oats.

Unfortunate People
are they who while suffering from Kidney Diseases are prejudiced against all advertised remedies. They should know that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a quick remedy, but an honest guaranteed medicine for Kidney and Bladder troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

James French was guilty of the murder of his wife at Rockford, Ill., and sentenced by Judge Garver to hang June 11.

Don't thin your blood with saesafra or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

James B. Eustice, ex ambassador to France, announces his intention of becoming head of the law firm of Jones & Givine, of New York.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowlers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The Duke of Tetsun and Senator Comas have selected seconds as a preliminary to a duel.

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Father Sebastian Knelp, well known throughout the world because of his water cure, is dead.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The First National Bank of Orleans, Neb., has failed. No statement of assets or liabilities is given.

The wing championship shoot at Kansas City, Mo., was finally won by Slim Glover, of Rochester, N. Y.



eyes grow dim and black encircled—radiance fades from the skin—a leathery look supplants the soft peachy appearance—age comes before life has fairly begun. These are but outward signs of the death that lurks within. These are only danger signals. Careless or too busy doctors make a hundred diagnoses and prescribe for nervousness, for insomnia, for indigestion—for a hundred different diseases. They are wrong—mistaken nine times in ten.

When a woman fades—grows old, weak, sick—the trouble is almost always with the organs that make her a woman—the most important, the most delicate, the most sensitive, the most vital organs in her whole body. They are so closely knit with the fibres of her life that a disorder here means disorder everywhere and anywhere. Such disorders call for the expert skill of the specialist. Such a specialist is Dr. R. V. Pierce, who for over thirty years has been chief consulting physician and surgeon of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. Afflicted women should write to him and should in any case begin at once to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, the most successful remedy for all forms of female weaknesses and diseases. Tens of thousands of women have been cured by this marvelous medicine without ever consulting a physician. Dr. Pierce's 1008 page book, 'Common Sense Medical Advice' is full of useful knowledge from a doctor to find in no other book. Send for the free copy of mailing. Send a one-cent stamp to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. For 10 cents extra (3 cents in all), the book will be sent in cloth binding.

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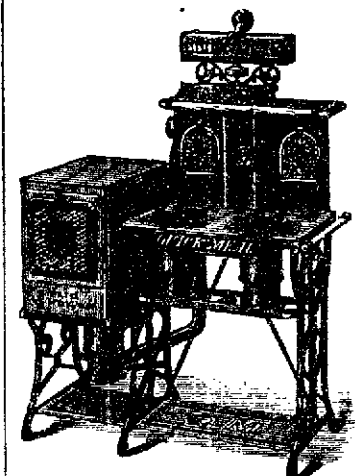
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce D. S. SHELLABARGER as a candidate for re-election as a member of the Board of Education. Election June 1st, 1897.

LOCAL NEWS.

Go to Springfield next Sunday.—24d 6
There are 2750 languages.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keok.

Knickerbocker shoulder braces at Irwin's drug store.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 28-dtf

Smoke the famous Leds, a fine 10 cent, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

On and after June 1st we will close on Sunday. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 344. 4d30t.

The genuine Russian corn cure is sold at Irwin's drug store.

Goodman's band accompanies the Springfield excursion next Sunday morning.—24d 6

Don't forget the dollar excursion to Springfield next Sunday, 8:15 a.m.—24d 6

Take your bicycle and go to Peoria Sunday on the Vandalia excursion, miles of paved streets for a delightful spin.

Mrs. Albro Blodgett who sings tonight at the Presbyterian church arrived from Toledo last evening.

One dollar to Bloomington and return next Saturday, May 29.—I. C. R. R. 26-d3t

The entries for Saturday's bicycle road race will close this evening at seven o'clock. There are now eighteen men on the list to make the start.

Springfield \$1 round trip via Wabash Sunday, May 30. Special train leaves at 8:15 a.m.—24d 6

The faithful lodge of Good Templars will serve dinner and supper on June 14, circus day, in the Ennis building formerly occupied by the Philpot shoe store on North Water street.

Francis Fischer Powers arrived today from Indianapolis and will appear in concert tonight at the Presbyterian church.

Go to Bloomington next Saturday, May 29. One dollar round trip, via I. C. R. R. 26-d3t

This evening the members of the Fellowship dancing club will engage in a picnic outing at Riverside park. The ladies will serve supper at the park and later there will be a dance at Guards' armory.

The farmers of Macon county hope to finish planting corn this week. All are busy pushing ahead with farm work.

Lovers of music should not fail to hear Francis Fischer Powers, Mrs. Blodgett and Mrs. Alexander in the concert at the Presbyterian church tonight.

Popsin gum for bicycle riders two packages for five cents at West's Drug Store. 26-d2t

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 223 N. Main st. Durfee & Culp. May 25-dtf

One dollar excursion to Bloomington Saturday, May 29, over the I. C. R. R. Tickets good going on special train leaving Decatur at 9 a.m. and regular train leaving Decatur at 11:26 a.m., and returning good on special leaving Bloomington at 10 p.m., and regular train Sunday, May 30. 26-d3t

Special Prices on Quinine.
2 Grain Quinine Pills, 25c per 100.
Powers & Weightman's Quinine, 50c per ounce.
Empty Capsules, best, 15c per 100.
West's Drug Store.

Garden Seeds.
Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—Jan 9-2d&wt

Opened a Store.
A confectionery store has been opened in the store room on North Water street recently vacated by Philpot's shoe store. A new kind of confection known as Spalding's pop corn crisp will be manufactured in the window.

Cigars. Cigars.
Havanettes.....100 for \$1.75
Little Diana.....100 for \$1.50
5 for .10

Special prices to the trade. For sale at L. CHODAT'S NEWS DEPOSE.

Excursion.
For a pleasant day's outing go to Peoria Sunday, May 30, on the Vandalia excursion and visit Glen Lake Park, equal in beauty to Forest Park of St. Louis. 25-d5

MECHANICSBURG MEETING.

Arrangements for a Great Big Time in August at the Old Camp Ground—The Talent.

Arrangements are being perfected for a 10 days feast of good things at Mechanicsburg beginning August 18. For many years camp meetings have been held at the grounds at Mechanicsburg but this year the order will be somewhat different. The association has been incorporated under the state law and is prepared for a systematic management in every detail. The grounds are ample, containing 40 acres, well watered and well situated and contains a tabernacle capable of seating comfortably 1500 people. Tent privileges will be free, those who desire to do their own cooking will be permitted to do so, and boarding houses well regulated; will furnish board at reasonable rates for those who desire to take their meals in that way.

The general admission has been put at the low rate of 25 cents and while the price of reason tickets has not yet been fixed by the board of managers it is thought the price will not exceed \$1. Persons who are without tents may rent them at reasonable rates from the management. The object of the management is to make this the greatest meeting of the kind ever held in central Illinois, the object being to continue them year after year if the present venture succeeds. It will be a sort of Chautauqua. Prominent men have already been secured and the program has been partially arranged. The following has been decided upon: Sunday the 15th Dr. Black of Chicago and Rev. D. F. Howe of this city will speak.

Monday evening there will be a campfire led by Hon. W. G. Cochran and the same evening Gen. John B. Gordon of Georgia will deliver his famous lecture "Last Days of the Confederacy."

Tuesday Bishop Fowler will speak. Wednesday will be musical day.

Thursday and Friday are set apart as intellectual and educational days. Dr. Frank Bristol of Chicago and State Superintendent Ingles will be present both days.

Saturday Rev. Robert McIntire of Chicago and J. Francis Davis of the east will speak.

Sunday Bishop Bowman will address the people. Rev. Sam Jones also has been secured for one of the days.

This is as far as the arrangements have been completed but every day will be fully taken up with rare intellectual offerings. There will be no off days and any Decatur people who want to enjoy a pleasant outing free from all care should arrange to camp out for ten days at Mechanicsburg. This is a rare opportunity to enjoy an outing and at the same time be entertained by the best talent in the land.

Arrangements may be completed for special trains on the Wabash from Decatur and Springfield and other points east and west. People attending this camp meeting will be carried from Buffalo on the horse railway or in busses to the grounds.

STREET PAVING.

Opinions in regard to the Best Materials to Use in the Work to be Done This Year.

Since the city council passed so many resolutions for paving the streets this year. The question of how the work should be done is quite generally discussed. One of the aldermen in speaking of the matter said that there were so many different opinions among the people that it was hard to know just what to do to satisfy everyone. Some are in favor of brick paving and others favor asphalt.

Peter Loeb is among the large property owners who want the streets paved with asphalt. In speaking of the matter Mr. Loeb said: "The idea that Decatur people have that these streets are a little better than in any other city is a mistaken one. Our paved streets are miserable and it is time that there should be a reform. If the city is going to do much paving this year they should have good work done. The people's money should be paid out for something that will be lasting. I am in favor of asphalt paving for the reason that it is good and lasting. In London, the oldest civilized city in the world, all kinds of paving have been tried and asphalt has been found to be the best. One street in that city is traveled more than any other thoroughfare in the world and it is paved with asphalt and keeps in a good condition. If the asphalt is properly put down it will last for 100 years and the street will always be in good condition. The people may object to paying a little more but if it does not cost more than an inferior paving it is better to have it and then there will not be so much expense for repairs. A poorly paved street is not cheap at any price and the poor pavements we have in this city has illustrated that fact to us.

"If we must have brick paving then it ought to be the right kind. I am always in favor of patronizing home industries but if the local brick men cannot make the kind of brick suitable for paving then we must go elsewhere to get it. Bricks made expressly for the purpose of paving are as hard as granite. Each brick is perfectly even and when they are laid they make a straight line across the street. One layer of such brick can be put on a cement foundation and the street will be well paved. As it has been we have been putting on an uneven brick on the streets without a proper foundation and the result is that we have a corduroy road. When the tax payers' money is to be expended for street paving proper material and good workmanship must be procured even if it does cost a little more for it will be cheaper in the end."

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Miss Mabel Carson is visiting friends in Carson.

—Miss Jeanette L. Tullis has returned from Tuscola.

—John Ulrich went to Lintner today to look after his farm.

—W. S. Grubbs has returned from a visit to Kentucky.

—Attorney Charles Schroll went to Chicago last night on business.

—Mrs. S. P. Hoy is visiting her son, Edward Hoy, at Springfield.

—W. W. Whitley, formerly of this city was here today from Springfield.

—Joseph Miller, leading merchant of Blue Mound, was in the city today.

—Rev. Knipple, of Macon, was in the city today and left for Indianapolis.

—L. C. Hays is confined to his home on Central avenue by an attack of the grip.

—Mrs. George W. Jenkins and Mrs. Robert Taggart went to St. Louis today.

—Mrs. Richard Macmasters left last night for Peru, Ind., where she will visit friends.

—Mrs. Sarah Morrison, who has been in the city, has returned to her home in Kenney, Ill.

—W. R. Scruggs arrived home today from St. Louis, where he has been for several days.

—Claude Bury, Fred Ferguson and Earle Sieberling attended a cake walk at Maroa last night.

—Miss Ella Gladish, who has been visiting in the city with Miss Bertha Roach, has returned to her home in Kansas City.

—Mrs. D. H. Conklin and Mrs. J. B. Williams and son Carl went to Hammond today to visit Mrs. D. M. Lincoln for a week.

—Superintendent Higgins and Assistant Superintendent Hartigan, of the Illinois Central, were in the city yesterday on business.

—Congressman Connelly arrived at Springfield last evening. On his way home from Washington he visited with relatives in Ohio.

—Mrs. E. L. Cutler, superintendent of drawing in the city schools, is confined to her home as a result of an accident. She fell off a bicycle and injured herself.

—I. D. Stine is at Peoria to attend a meeting of wheelmen. He has several important attachments for bikes and he took them along to exhibit them to the manufacturers.

BLUE MOUND G. A. R.

Resolutions Against Bicycle Racing on Memorial Day Adopted by the Post.

At a meeting of the G. A. R. Post, No. 247 of Blue Mound held May 25th, 1897, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The 9th day of May has been set apart as a National holiday for the special purpose of doing honor to the memory of the departed soldiers and sailors of our country by decorating their graves with flowers, and

Whereas, It has become of too common a practice in some localities to engage in bicycle racing and other amusements, therefore, be it

Resolved, That as a Post we enter our earnest and solemn protest against all such amusements in the same locality or at the same time such memorial decoration services are being held.

Go to Springfield Sunday.

The excursion to Springfield on Sunday May 30th promises to be a grand success. It will be run jointly by the St. James German Aid Society and the Goodman band. The arrangements are all made so that all can have a seat and the two organizations will see that there will be the best of order maintained. Round trip, \$1.00. Train leaves Decatur at 8:15 a.m. Tickets for sale at Henry Bros., Shlaudeman hotel, B. Stine Clothing company or any member of the St. James German Aid Society or Goodman's band. —25-d5t

The Lutheran Church.

G. P. Koble, a student from the theological seminary at Chicago, has arrived in the city and will have charge of the English Lutheran churches at Blue Mound and Macon. The congregation at the former place will hold their meetings in the U. B. church and at Macon the old Lutheran church has been secured. Mr. Koble will preach at his new charges next Sunday.

Breaks His Ribs.

Julius Schiller, the engineer at the brewery, met with a painful accident yesterday. He slipped on a stairway and in falling struck his right side against a beer keg. Two ribs were broken. Dr. A. L. Collins was called to give him surgical attention. The injury is not serious but the man will be confined to his home for some time.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

THE MAY FESTIVAL.

Arrangements Perfect for the Big Musical Event Which Will be Given at Bloomington.

The arrangements for the May festival which will be given at Bloomington next Saturday by the members of the Decatur Choral club have been perfected. The affair will be one of the largest musical events that Bloomington has had in several years and as it is being well advertised the attendance will probably be large. The members of the chorus number about 200 and are under the management of Frank E. Bunn. The chorus will go to Bloomington on Saturday at 12:15 p.m. on a special train. The tickets will be given to the singers at the rehearsal on Friday night. Other passengers will not be admitted on the special train as it is for the singers only. It is expected that there will be a large number of persons go from Decatur to attend the carnival and festival. A round trip rate of \$1 has been offered. Passengers can leave Decatur at 8 o'clock Saturday morning and get in Bloomington in time to see the carnival procession which will take place in the forenoon.

The members of the chorus have been practicing for a long time and the music will be of the highest order. Mr. Katherine Fisk, the well known contralto singer of Chicago, will be the main soloist. The festival will be given at the Grand opera house. There will be a matinee and evening performance. Tickets for the entertainment can be procured at Lutz's music store in this city and sent reserved until Thursday at 3 p.m. The prices are 50c, 75c and \$1. It is understood that a banquet is to be given to the members of the chorus after the matinee and before the evening performance.

FIXING UP.

The Huff Hotel to Put on New Summer Garments.

J. A. Close, of San Jose, Cal., is the owner of the building on South Water street in which J. M. Huff's hotel and restaurant is located. Mr. Huff has taken a new lease on the building and Mr. Close has arranged to fix up the establishment in first-class style. A new floor will be laid, the ceiling to be given two coats of paint, the walls are to be repaired and a two bowl marble wash stand is to take the place of the old one. The front of the hotel is to be painted in good style and upstairs considerable repair work and embellishment is to be done.

Mr. Huff has been in business for many years and he has made the business a success. The patrons of the place will be pleased to learn that he is to continue in charge and that the improvements are to be made.

Arrested the Wrong Man.

E. A. Schauf, an intruder, made trouble at the Singer Sewing Machine office on North Main street yesterday afternoon to the annoyance of G. M. Booth and C. W. Wahlquist, who are connected with the establishment. Miss Moffett called the police by telephone and through a misunderstanding Mr. Wahlquist was hauled away in the patrol wagon. There was some mistake about the arrest and Wahlquist was released. Then Schauf could not be found. The police assert that when they reached the office Wahlquist had a chisel in his hand and was making a demonstration, while Schauf was quietly sitting on the edge of a table, doing nothing. He told the officers to arrest Wahlquist and that he would come over and swear out a warrant. Wahlquist's friends say they tried to get the police to take Schauf. There was evidently a misunderstanding. A crowd collected about the store. The arrest was the subject of considerable talk. It is asserted that Wahlquist will institute a damage suit.

May Festival To-Morrow Night.

The May Festival begins tomorrow night at the Tabernacle. The curtain will rise upon 350 singers in the opening chorus. Eighty-six ticket sellers have been at work for several days and the big building will be crowded. The doors will open at 7:30. Exercises begin at 8:35 sharp. Those desiring choice seats would better call at Otto E. Curtis & Bros. promptly, as the reserves are going fast.

Peoria Road Race.

The bicycle road race at Peoria yesterday over a 15-mile course with 12 contestants, was won by W. E. Gable, of Peoria, a 5-minute handicap man. Time 46:14. Nelson won the time prize in 40:46.

Cheap excursion to Peoria next Sunday via Vandalia line train leaves at 7:15 a.m.

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GARCIA'S SWORD.

Causes Confusion Among the Spaniards and Defeats Them in Detail.

THE UNITED STATES THREATENED.

Spanish Newspaper Warns Uncle Sam as to the Danger of Trifling With Spain—Points Out Spain's Power.

Havana, via Key West, May 27.—News has been received of another victory achieved by Gen. Garcia in Puerto Principe, near Veiguitas, not far from Bayamo. He cunningly ambushed two detachments of government troops and fought them all one afternoon, winning with severe loss to them. He attacked them at night and managed to get them separated and for awhile they were so confused that they were firing at each other. One troop became panic-stricken and retreated. Garcia fell on the other and defeated it with a loss of over ninety-eight. He then pursued the retreating force and, overtaking it ten miles from the coast, gave it a severe drubbing, the Spaniards losing over sixty-four men. Garcia is a terror to the Spanish forces in that section and the troops will not stand against him.

The Nunez brothers won a victory in Pinar del Rio recently, occupying one of the Spanish forts near Phalacoe for two days. They attacked it and compelled the garrison to retire after three hours' fighting. The Cubans had three cannon and dynamite guns, which did great execution against the fort. The Cubans occupied the fort and, after remaining there for three days, retired, burning it after taking a large supply of ammunition and provisions. The larger garrison at Phalacoe did not offer to molest the invaders or come to the aid of the first detachment, even while the fight was taking place.

Minas and St. Felipe, Havana Province, were the scenes of sharp guerrilla fighting Friday and Saturday, the forces under Martinez and Carrillo compelling the government troops to retire in both instances. The Spanish loss is not known, but over 200 wounded troops have been brought into Havana since Friday, the men being brought in at night so as to avoid observation. Spaniards claim Carrillo is wounded, but it is not believed here.

NEWSPAPER THREAT.

Havana Organ Warns the United States to Keep Hands Off.

Havana, May 27.—"El Diario de la Mañana" in a leading editorial today, says: "We see in the American newspapers evidence that there are certain social classes in the United States not sufficiently alive to the importance of the advice, 'Don't monkey with the lion's tail.' These classes are remarkable for the eagerness with which they invade jurisdiction in affairs which, like the Cuban war, are exclusively the affairs of Spain.

"The persistence with which they recognize the belligerence of the insurgents is crazy and ridiculous. The important conservative interests of the United States should not forget that the patience of Spain may soon become exhausted. The Spanish government has given abundant proofs of its good will by ignoring the many inconveniences that have been caused by resolutions in Congress. Those interests ought to be thankful to us for our abrogation. We have suffered. But in case the sword should be unsheathed Spain would certainly not be the heaviest loser in the fight.

"Spain has sent 200,000 men to Cuba to settle a domestic difficulty. What would she do in the event of a foreign war with the nation which, for a quarter of a century, has abused our patience by ignoring Spanish honor and civility. President McKinley should consider this carefully and if he is to deal with us as enemies, let him take the advice of an enemy and no longer trifle with us."

It is officially announced that Gen. Castillo, the insurgent leader, was seriously wounded in the breast in an engagement which took place recently between his forces and the Leo Alad battalion. Fifteen insurgents were killed in the same fight.

LINCOLN'S DEED AND BOND.

Papers Discovered Which Show His Devotion to His Parents.

Chicago, May 27.—Parsons & Taft, who handle farm mortgages, have come into possession of a collection of papers that includes a deed to Abraham Lincoln from his father and mother and another deed, or a bond for a deed, from Abraham



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